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- 1. FOLLOWING POLICY REVIEW, US IS PREPARED TO APPROVE AN EXEMPTION FOR THE FRG REACTOR SALE TO THE USSR NOW PENDING BEFORE COCOM, PROVIDED THAT THE USSR WILL (A) SUPPLY THE URANIUM FOR THE FUEL, AND (B) GIVE AN ASSURANCE THAT THE REACTOR AND THE PRODUCED PLUTONIUM WILL BE USED ONLY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES. THE UNITED STATES WILL NOT INSIST UPON THE APPLICATION OF IAEA SAFEGUARDS AS A CONDITION OF COCOM APPROVAL IN THIS CASE.
- 2. THIS POSITION HAS BEEN DISCUSSED WITH UK, WHO ALSO PREPARED TO APPROVE COCOM EXEMPTION ON SAME BASIS.

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3. EMBASSY SHOULD COORDINATE WITH UK EMBASSY AND MAKE

JOINT APPROACH TO APPROPRIATE FRG OFFICIALS TO SET FORTH THIS POSITION. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT WISH THIS MATTER TO BE DISCUSSED WITH OTHER GOVERNMENTS OR IN COCOM ITSELF UNTIL FRG HAS HAD OPPORTUNITY TO RESPOND.

4. REPORT ACTION TAKEN AND ANY FRG REACTION. KISSINGER

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